

1st Term Examination

First name:

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Class:1L

A/Comprehension: Read the text then do the activities: (8pts)

Less American teenagers are trying all kinds of drugs, including alcohol. But researchers are starting to consider an intriguing question: Are teenagers using drugs less in part because they are constantly stimulated and entertained by their computers and phones?

The possibility is worth exploring, they say, because use of smartphones and tablets has exploded over the same period that drug use has declined. This connection does not mean that one phenomenon is causing the other, but scientists say interactive media appears to play to similar impulses as drug experimentation.

Nora Volkow, director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, said that she planned to begin research on the topic in the following few months. The possibility that smartphones were contributing to a decline in drug use by teenagers, she said, was proved by many researches.

Even as heroin use has become an epidemic among adults in some communities, it has fallen among high schoolers over the past decade, the study found. Those findings are consistent with other studies showing steady declines over the past decade in drug use by teenagers after years of ebbs and flows.

By MATT RICHTEL MARCH 13, 2017
The New York Times

1. Circle the best answer: (0.5pt)

The text is taken from: a) a book b) a newspaper article c) a web site

2. Are the following statements true or false? Correct the false ones. (2pts)

a) American teenagers are reducing their use of computers and phones.

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b) Scientists say that media is as attractive as drugs.

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c) Few months ago, Nora Volkow planned to begin research on the topic.

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d) High school teenagers use less heroin than the past decade.

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3. Answer the following questions according to the text: (3pts)

a) What is the interesting question asked by researchers?

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b) What push the researchers to ask this question?

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c) According to Dr. Nora Volkow, is there a relation between the decline of drugs use and the use of phones and tablets? Justify from the text.

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